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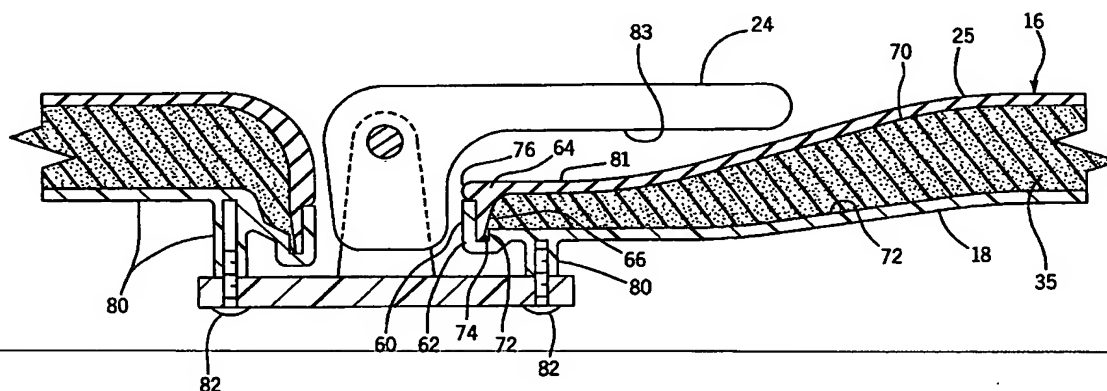
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(57) Abstract: Assembly (12) includes a substrate (18) having an aperture (60) extending through the substrate (18) and having a first capping portion (62, 162, 362, 462) at least partially about the aperture (60), a skin (25) having a second capping portion (64, 164, 364, 464), at least one layer (35) between the substrate (18) and the skin (25) and a component (24) extending through the aperture (60). The first capping portion (62, 162, 362, 462) and the second capping portion (64, 164, 364, 464) cooperatively engage one another to close off the at least one compressible layer (35) between the substrate (18) and the skin (25). A method for manufacturing the panel (16) is also disclosed.

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